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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS: WOLFF REPORT

REF: STATE 77033

1. INITIAL REPORTING LOCALLY ON WOLFF REPORT ON MARCH 27 LIMITED TO TWO AFTERNOON NEWSPAPERS, BOTH OF WHICH EMPHASIZED HIS DESIRE TO ENCOURAGE PRC COOPERATION IN ANTI-NARCOTICS ENDEAVORS AND STATEMENT THAT DRUGS EASILY OBTAINABLE IN HONG KONG BY US SERVICEMEN. COVERAGE WOULD PROBABLY HAVE STOPPED THERE EXCEPT FOR CONGRESSMAN WOLFF'S VISIT TO HONG KONG AS MEMBER OF CODEL O'NEILL OVER EASTER WEEKEND. WOLFF MET WITH TWO REPORTERS (HK 4904) DURING VISIT LEADING TO TWO ADDITIONAL PRESS REPORTS (HK 4099) AND AN EDITORIAL (HK 4164).

2. ON APRIL 18, HONG KONG STANDARD CARRIED FOLLOW-UP STORY ON WOLFF'S INTERVIEW BASED ON THREE POINTS IN REPORT: NEED FOR A FOURTH DEA AGENT IN HONG KONG, INABILITY OF US AND BRITISH AGENTS TO DETERMINE THE QUANTITY OF DRUGS GOING FROM HONG KONG TO US, AND PARAGRAPH ON PRC'S "ALOOF ATTITUDE" TOWARDS INTERNATIONAL ANTI-NARCOTICS EFFORTS. ARTICLE ALSO REFERRED TO CONGRESSMAN'S LOCAL INTERVIEW IN WHICH HE PRAISED IMPROVED USG-HKG COOPERATION.

3. HONG KONG STANDARD HAS INFORMED PAO IT MAY RUN FULL TEXT OF WOLFF REPORT OVER THE WEEKEND.

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4. THUS FAR, ONLY USIS HAS OBTAINED FULL COPY OF REPORT.
WHEN OTHER COPIES ARRIVE, WE PLAN TO PROVIDE COPY TO HONG KONG
NARCOTICS COMMISSIONER.
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